

In the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1 1. (Currently Amended) A method for downloading and paying
2 for content selected from a digital radio transmission comprising
3 the steps of:

4 providing a receiver capable of receiving digital radio
5 transmissions and a storage device coupled to the receiver;

6 receiving the digital radio transmission at the receiver;

7 transmitting a request to download the content from a
8 location of the receiver to a content agent located remote from the
9 receiver;

10 transmitting information sufficient to allow for payment
11 of the content from a location of the receiver to the content
12 agent;

13 receiving a transmission authorizing the download of the
14 content from the content agent; and

15 downloading the content to the storage device.

1 2. (Original) The method for downloading and paying for
2 content selected from a digital radio transmission of claim 1,
3 wherein the step of receiving the digital radio transmission
4 includes the step of storing the digital radio transmission in a
5 memory buffer at the receiver.

Claims 3 to 7. (Canceled)

1 8. (Original) The method for downloading and paying for
2 content selected from a digital radio transmission of claim 1,
3 wherein the download request transmission is a wireless
4 transmission.

1 9. (Original) The method for downloading and paying for
2 content selected from a digital radio transmission of claim 8,
3 wherein the wireless transmission is over cellular telephone lines.

1 10. (Original) The method for downloading and paying for
2 content selected from a digital radio transmission of claim 1,
3 wherein the download request transmission is made over an Internet
4 connection.

11. (Canceled)

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1 12. (Original) A method for downloading and paying for
2 content selected from a digital radio transmission, the digital
3 radio transmission including discrete content segments, comprising
4 the steps of:
5 providing a receiver capable of processing digital radio
6 transmissions, wherein the receiver includes a buffer suitable for
7 storing a selected time period of the digital radio transmission,
8 and a storage device coupled to the receiver;
9 receiving a first digital radio transmission;
10 storing a selected time period of the first digital radio
11 transmission;
12 placing a flag on a discrete content segment of the
13 digital radio transmission;
14 transmitting a request to download the discrete content
15 segment associated with the flag;
16 transmitting payment information sufficient to allow for
17 payment of the discrete content segment associated with the flag;
18 receiving a transmission authorizing the download of the
19 content;

20 receiving a second digital transmission comprising the
21 discrete content segment associated with the flag;
22 recognizing that the second digital transmission include
23 the discrete content segment associated with the flag; and
24 downloading the discrete content segment associated with
25 the flag to the storage device.

1 13. (Original) The method for downloading and paying for
2 content selected from a digital radio transmission of claim 12,
3 wherein the step of transmitting a request to download the content
4 comprises the step of transmitting a request to a content agent to
5 download content, the content agent able to initiate the
6 downloading of the content.

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1 14. (Original) The method for downloading and paying for
2 content selected from a digital radio transmission of claim 12,
3 wherein the storage device is a digital storage device.

1 15. (Original) The method for downloading and paying for
2 content selected from a digital radio transmission of claim 14,
3 wherein the digital storage device is a portable electronic device.

1 16. (Original) The method for downloading and paying for
2 content selected from a digital radio transmission of claim 12,
3 wherein the content is coded in a format suitable for digital radio
4 transmission.

1 17. (Original) The method for downloading and paying for
2 content selected from a digital radio transmission of claim 16,
3 wherein the content is coded in or compatible with MP3, MP4, AAC,
4 Dolby Digital, ePAC, AC3, PCM, MPEG, or JPEG format or any
5 combination thereof.

1 18. (Original) The method for downloading and paying for
2 content selected from a digital radio transmission of claim 12,
3 wherein the download request transmission is a wireless
4 transmission.

1 19. (Original) The method for downloading and paying for
2 content selected from a digital radio transmission of claim 18,
3 wherein the wireless transmission is over cellular telephone lines.

1 20. (Original) The method for downloading and paying for
2 content selected from a digital radio transmission of claim 12,
3 wherein the download request transmission is made over an Internet
4 connection.

1 21. (Original) The method for downloading and paying for
2 content selected from a digital radio transmission of claim 12,
3 wherein the content includes video content.

Claims 22 to 30. (Canceled)

1 31. (Currently Amended) A method for downloading and paying
2 for content selected from a digital radio transmission received by
3 a receiver capable of processing digital radio transmissions and
4 coupled to a storage device, comprising the steps of:
5 receiving the digital radio transmission at the receiver;
6 transmitting a request to transmit the content for the
7 purpose of downloading the content to the storage device, the
8 content requested not included in the digital radio transmission
9 but associated with the content which is transmitted in the digital
10 radio transmission;

11 transmitting information sufficient to allow for payment
12 of the content;
13 transmitting the requested content;
14 receiving the transmission of the content; and
15 downloading the content to the storage device.

1 32. (Original) The method for downloading and paying for
2 content selected from a digital radio transmission of claim 31,
3 wherein the step of receiving the digital radio transmission
4 includes the step of storing the digital radio transmission in a
5 memory buffer at the receiver.

1 33. (Currently Amended) The method for downloading and paying
2 for content selected from a digital radio transmission of claim 31,
3 wherein the step of transmitting a request to download the content
4 for the purpose of downloading the content to the storage device
5 comprises the step of transmitting a request to a content agent
6 located remote from a location of the receiver, the content agent
7 being able to initiate or perform the transmission of the content.

Claims 34 to 37. (Canceled)

1 38. (Original) The method for downloading and paying for
2 content selected from a digital radio transmission of claim 31,
3 wherein the download request transmission is a wireless
4 transmission.

1 39. (Original) The method for downloading and paying for
2 content selected from a digital radio transmission of claim 38,
3 wherein the wireless transmission is over cellular telephone lines.

1 40. (Original) The method for downloading and paying for
2 content selected from a digital radio transmission of claim 31,
3 wherein the download request transmission is made over an Internet
4 connection.

Claims 41 and 42. (Canceled)

1 43. (Currently Amended) A method for downloading and paying
2 for content selected from a digital radio transmission received by
3 a receiver capable of receiving a digital radio transmission and
4 coupled to a storage device, comprising the steps of:

5 receiving payment for a selected amount of content in
6 advance of the digital radio transmission in the form of a
7 subscription which allows for the downloading of predetermined
8 content;

9 receiving a request to download of the content;

10 verifying that the selected amount of content ~~has been~~
11 ~~paid for in advance,~~ is included within the predetermined content
12 which the subscription allows for downloading; and

13 authorizing the downloading of the content to the storage
14 device.

Claims 44 to 50. (Canceled)

1 51. (New) The method for downloading and paying for content
2 selected from a digital radio transmission of claim 31, wherein the
3 transmission of the requested content is a wireless transmission.

1 52. (New) The method for downloading and paying for content
2 selected from a digital radio transmission of claim 51, wherein the
3 wireless transmission is over cellular telephone lines.

1 53. (New) The method for downloading and paying for content
2 selected from a digital radio transmission of claim 31, wherein the
3 transmission of the requested content is made over an Internet
4 connection.

1 54. (New) A method for downloading and paying for content
2 selected from a digital radio transmission comprising the steps of:
3 providing a receiver capable of receiving digital radio
4 transmissions and a storage device coupled to the receiver;
5 receiving the digital radio transmission at the receiver;
6 transmitting a request to download the content;
7 transmitting information sufficient to allow for payment
8 of the content;
9 receiving a transmission authorizing the download of the
10 content;
11 downloading the content and a decoder used to convert the
12 downloaded content to an analog signal to the storage device; and
13 playing the downloaded content at the receiver using the
14 downloaded decoder.
